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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

The USTelecom petition to change the rules governing smaller internet providers threatens my use of the local provider's services, and I object strongly to the idea that residential users like myself will not be affected.

I am a customer of Sonic.net, which provides internet services in Sonoma County, CA. I am a residential user, and the internet is critical to my home business, and to me as a single user. I use the service for both internet and telephone.

I previously used Comcast, but found a more competitive rate and better service from Sonic. I appreciate having the choice, since I was unhappy with rate increases Comcast forced, and with the fact that I wasn't able to do Remote Desktop Connections to my computer programming job 90 minutes away by car - they blocked that function, and I was left with the long commute.

I object to having too few choices, which destines us to higher rates. Please keep the internet competitive so that we can have greater access.

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